

PRESS RELEASE

Drug Take-Back Event Scheduled for Oct. 28

Wylie, Texas, Aug. 22, 2017 – The Wylie Police Department invites the public to take part in a Drug Take-Back Event slated for Oct. 28, 2017, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Public Safety Building, 2000 N. Hwy. 78, Wylie. The service is free and anonymous. Labels do not need to be removed.

Controlled, non-controlled and over-the-counter medications may be collected. Intravenous solutions, injectable items, and syringes will not be collected due to the potential hazard.

"Help us prevent pill abuse, theft and accidents by getting expired, unwanted or unused prescription drugs and over-the-counter medications out of your home," said Crime Prevention Officer Nuria Arroyo. "The service is free and anonymous ... no questions asked."

More than six million Americans abuse prescription drugs according to the recent Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's National Survey on Drug Use and Health. The same study revealed more than 70 percent of people abusing prescription pain relievers got them through friends or relatives, a statistic that includes raiding the family medicine cabinet.

For more information, visit www.WylieTexas.gov/police or www.nsc.org.

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About Wylie – Incorporated in 1887, the City of Wylie is located just 24 miles from downtown Dallas in Collin, Dallas and Rockwall counties. Possessing an outstanding school district, a low crime rate, an ISO #1 rating and an expanding business climate, Wylie (population 48,000) is one of the fastest-growing communities in the state of Texas with a 220-percent increase since 2000. In 2015, Money Magazine named Wylie the 25th Best Place to Live in the Country, and financial website NerdWallet named Wylie the Best Small City for Young Families in August 2016. Realtor.com named Wylie the second hottest suburb in the country in February 2017.